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Dear Dick, Gallen

6/28/75

I'll not mail this until the time I believe you will return. I may have more to add by then.

Coinciding with the McDonald fraud there are three other "confessions" current on the west coast, simultaneous with it.

All three are the work of a friend and associate of Fensterwald's. Two are by those with whom he has had contact to my knowledge. The amount of money spent on one is said to have been $10,000, to the assassin/non-assassin. If true, and the man who spent it is the source of my source, I cannot imagine him spending it from his own resources. My source plans to travel 1,000 miles this weekend to examine these new alleged confessions.

The assassin/non-assassin is said to have had a shot to fire that he did not fire and to have attested to this. His account is that there were six others with him in one building and that they were but one of many "teams" of assassins scattered where shots at JFK might have been possible.

Once again built-in factual error ranging from improbable to utterly impossible is characteristic. This confessor is said to have been in the Dal-Tex Building with his six associates (I suppose at least one was to have fanned his fevered brow) and to have had the duty of firing not when JFK was closest and a very easy target but when he was as far away as possible, down at the Triple Underpass.

I report this in confidence because you represent Barney. Confidentiality is a pre-condition of my source.

Earlier I was unclear whether McDonald said deMohrendschildt or Kimsey is the dead ringer for Clay Shaw. I have since learned that Kimsey was a gross man. Shaw was large but not gross. If you recall which he said I'd like to know. My original source on Kimsey is not immediately available.

We did not have time to discuss Post Mortem. I became aware that you had not read it, as I believed from what you had told me earlier. Bill Martin's letter holds less criticism of it than I gave you and does not really address what I proposed. I leave it this way, with regret because its prospects increase daily with developments some of which I cannot report because they involve confidential relationships.

There has been another expression of interest from another minor publication. It has already sent someone here. His favorable report will not be controlling.

Since then I have heard from abroad, from the man with the copy I have abroad. He reports some interest there in a letter that seems to have been delayed.

If nothing comes of any of these interests I think I'll have to consider borrowing to bring the unabridged work out myself. It is not only that I regard this as essential. I now do not see how the book can lose money.

I have, without a single appearance in person or on TV or a single ad or any commercial distribution other than my own to ordering bookstores paid off all that my associate borrowed to pay the printer for Whitewash IV. If it has not been easy it is a separate encouragement.

I'll keep you posted if there are developments.

Sincerely,